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SECRETARY, BOARD OF OIL, GAS & MINING

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Set for Hearing: December 7, 2011

James Jensen Chairman, Utah Board of Oil, Gas & Mining 1594 W. North Temple, Suite 1210 Salt Lake City, Utah 84116

Dear Chairman Jensen:

On behalf of Morgan Gas & Oil Company, and Associates, I would like to submit a Statement in support of the Application of Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas On Shore LP, to drill a Horizontal Well, with a proposed location in the NWl/4 NWl/4 of Section 27, T. 9 S., R. 21 E. The well will target oil, gas and associated hydrocarbon production from the carbonite intervals within the Uteland Butte Member of the Green River formation, at a depth of approximately 4,848 feet--The Maverick 921-27D-HZ.

The main reason Morgan Gas & Oil Co. and Associates support Kerr-McGee's Application to drill this Horizontal Well, is that we believe that America's National Security is threatened because of our addiction to foreign oil, particularly Middle East Countries. It is a dangerous situation. America could be cut off from this oil supply at any time, as we were in 1973; and there are very few Middle Eastern Countries we can really depend upon. Many of them don't like America very well, anyway.

It is true—this proposed Well by Kerr-McGee amounts to very little in the over-all view of things. But it means that we are headed in the righ direction. When we are trying to tap into new supplies of oil here in America—right here in Utah. In this case, the concept of Horizontal Drilling into the Green River Formation to recover these oil and gas supplies, is an important step in the right direction.

Not only that—but it is important to the State of Utah. It increases economic activity and development, and brings revenue into the State Treasury. And it certainly helps Utah's employment situation. If we can prove that this HOrizontal Drilling really works in the Green River Formation here in the Basin—it could mean a great deal to the State of Utah. There are millions of acres of potential Green River Development in the Uintah Basin of Eastern Utah.

We applaud Kerr-McGee's efforts to achieve success in this approach; and express our appreciation for their determination to recover oil and/or gas and associated hydrocarbons through this method in the Green River Formation.

Respectfully submitted this 15th day of November, 2011.

John H. Morgan, JR., Chairman, President, & CEO Morgan Gas & Oil Co.